

Claim 7, line 1, change "any" to --claim 1--;

line 2, delete "preceding claim".

Claim 9, line 1, delete "or";

line 2, delete "8".

Claim 12, line 1, delete "any one of";

line 2, change "claims 9 to 11" to --claim 9--.

Claim 13, line 1, change "any" to --claim 1--;

line 2, delete "preceding claim".

Claim 14, line 1, change "any" to --claim 1--;

line 2, delete "preceding claim".

Claim 16, line 1, change "any" to --claim 1--;

line 2, delete "preceding claim".

Claim 17, line 1, change "any" to --claim 1--;

line 2, delete "preceding claim".

Claim 19, line 1, change "any" to --claim 1--;

line 2, delete "preceding claim".

Claim 20, line 1, change "any" to --claim 1--;

line 2, delete "preceding claim".

Claim 21, line 1, change "any" to --claim 1--;

line 2, delete "preceding claim".

Claim 22, line 1, change "any" to --claim 1--;

line 2, delete "preceding claim".

Claim 24, line 1, delete "or";

line 2, delete "23".

Claim 32, line 1, change "any one of claims 29 to 31" to --claim 29--.

Claim 33, line 1, change "any one of claims 29 to" to --claim 29--;

line 2, delete "32";

Claim 34, line 4, change "any one of claims 29" to --claim 29--;

line 5, delete "to 33".

Claim 38, line 1, delete "or 37".

Claim 39, line 1, change "any one of claims 36 to 38" -- claim 36 -- .

Claim 45, line 1, delete "or 44".

Claim 46, line 1, change "any one of claims 43 to 45" to --claim 43--.

Claim 47, line 2, change "any one of claims 43 to 46" to --claim 43--.

REMARKS

By this Preliminary Amendment, claims 25 and 50 have been canceled, and claims 3, 4, 6, 7, 12-14, 16-22, 24, 32-34, 38, 39, and 45-47 have been amended to eliminate multiple dependent claims. Entry of this Preliminary Amendment is respectfully requested.

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